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1. Only 10 of the 40 Yugoslav pilots who originally received their instruction and training in the Soviet Union are still in the Yugoslav Air Force. The others were arrested or demobilized as being politically insecure and undesirable in the Air Force.
2. Ivan Bortner and Franc Leban, both pilots, were arrested and imprisoned in Zagreb. Lieutenant Colonel Djuka Bozovic, a pilot, was first demobilized and subsequently arrested and imprisoned in Belgrade.
3. The following, and all others with pro-Cominform leanings, were demobilized:

Major Cedimir Peric
Major Novica Ilic
Pilot Captain Ladislav Andric
Pilot Zvonko Dubrovic
Pilot Stjepan Rajnic
Pilot Branko Pejovic
Pilot Rudi Strekslj
Pilot Josip Klokocovnik

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